GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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FILLING UP OF VACANT POST IN NPPA
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a post of Advisor Cost in National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) has not been filled; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and by when it is likely to be filled up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b): The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) is an independent body of experts consisting of a Chairman in the status of the Secretary to the Government of India, Members having expertise in the field of pharmaceuticals, economics and cost accountancy and Member Secretary in the status of Joint Secretary/Additional Secretary to the Government of India. The expertise in the field of costing, pharmaceuticals and economics are obtained by the NPPA through the following three ex-officio members, who have already been appointed by the Government.

1. Additional Chief Advisor (Cost), Department of Expenditure.
2. Drug Controller General of India, Ministry of Health.
3. Economic Adviser, Department of Economics Affairs.